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# MSA AND CBC ANNOUNCE LARGE AWARD FOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

RICHLAND, Wash. - The Mission Support Alliance, LLC (MSA), a Lockheed Martin/Jacobs/WSI Company, announced today that it is donating a total of \$175,000 to Columbia Basin College. The announcement was made at a joint MSA/CBC press conference held at 9 a.m. at the MSA headquarters located in Richland, Wash.

The donation will help to establish the MSA Cooperative Student Program, or Co-op, that will serve as an important recruiting tool for the MSA in helping identify high-potential prospective employees for the future. The MSA will commit \$7,500 for five years for a total contribution of \$37,500. The program will begin with the 2010-2011 Academic Year.

"Each year companies compete for top talent, and we believe that by having a strategy for capturing this talent is just plain good business," said Frank Figueroa, president and general manager for the MSA. "This program will serve as an important tool for the MSA in helping identify high-potential prospective employees for our future," he said.

MSA plans to hire full-time enrolled CBC students to work full-time during the summer months, transitioning to 20-32 hours per week once the academic year begins. MSA will choose students based on their discipline of study and its relevance to the job assignment. In order to qualify for this program, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA, be able to work a minimum of 20 hours a week in 3-5 hour blocks of time during the school year, be at least 18 years of age and a U.S. citizen.

The MSA will contribute an additional \$37,500 to CBC's General Scholarship Fund over five years. The funds will be administered like any other CBC Scholarship.

MSA also is pleased to offer another \$100,000 over a five-year period for the MSA Employee Dependents Scholarship Program. This program will provide financial assistance to help cover education expenses for qualified students of current MSA employees. Twenty \$1,000 scholarships will be available each academic year. CBC Foundation will administer the funds for the MSA, perform all applicant reviews and select qualified students based on criteria established by the MSA.

"I would like to acknowledge U.S. Bank who stepped forward and contributed the initial funding for this year's employee dependent scholarships on behalf of MSA employees," added Figueroa. "We certainly thank them for their generosity and sincerely appreciate their contribution to this important program for our employees."

"Partnerships are what CBC is all about," said Rich Cummins, president of Columbia Basin College. "We are grateful for the forward thinking of MSA and our joint mission to build a quality work force of the future and help students fund their education."

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### About the MSA

The Mission Support Alliance is a team led by Lockheed Martin, Jacobs Engineering and WSI, and has responsibility for the Mission Support Contract at the Hanford Site. The MSA team provides a number of cross-cutting services to the DOE and other contractors at the Hanford site, such as safety, security and environment, site infrastructure and utilities, site business management, information resources and content management and portfolio management.